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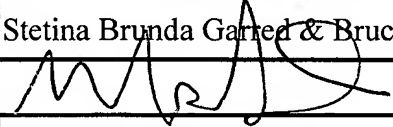
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First Named Inventor	Shinichiro Saito
Art Unit	Unknown
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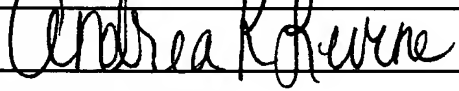
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Signature			
Printed name	Mark B. Garred		
Date	11/27/06	Reg. No.	34,823

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- o Indication of Small Entity Status
- o Copy of the International Application filed on 12/21/2005
- o English Translation of the IA filed on 12/21/2005
- o Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/21/2005
- o Copy of IPE Report filed on 12/21/2005
- o Oath or Declaration filed on 12/21/2005
- o Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/21/2005
- o U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/21/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- o Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- o To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- o \$65 Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY

U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER NO.	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	ATTY. DOCKET NO.
10/561,479	PCT/JP04/09097	NAKAI-006US

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO: NAKAI-006US

TITLE: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING COMBUSTION EXHAUST
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Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

FEE TRANSMITTAL
For FY 2006☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 130,000**Complete if Known**

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Attorney Docket No.	NAKAI-006US

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200
Multiple dependent claims	360

Total Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**

_____ - 20 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)**

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HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3.

Multiple Dependent Claims

Fee (\$) **Fee Paid (\$)**

3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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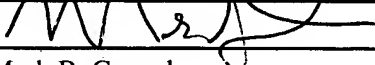
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Missing Parts

Fees Paid (\$)

\$130.00

SUBMITTED BY

Signature		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	34,823	Telephone	(949) 855-1246
Name (Print/Type)	Mark B. Garred	Date	11/21/06		

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Serial No.:	10/561,479)	Art Unit:	Unknown
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Filed:	12/21/2005)	Examiner:	Unknown
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For:	Device and Method for Processing)		
	Combustion Exhaust Gas)		

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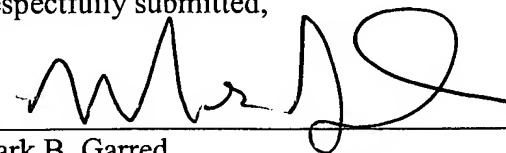
Applicant hereby replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts rendered in relation to the present application on November 16, 2006. In this Notice, the Office indicated that the Declaration that was submitted with the initial filing of the patent application was unsigned. The notice also incorrectly claimed Applicant as a small entity. Applicant would like to assert its status as a large entity and appropriate correction of the same is therefore respectfully requested. Accompanying this Response is the required copy of the Notice as well as a signed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Statement Under 37 C.F.R. Section 3.73(b) and required large entity fee of \$130.00.

If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account Number 19-4330.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 11/27/06

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